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## BREWER TAPPED TO CHAIR TWO COUNTY-WIDE COMMITTEES

TO LEAD POWERFUL HOSPITAL BOARD AND NEW STREAMLINING COMMITTEE

(Phoenix-) Maricopa County Supervisor Jan Brewer has been charged with the mission of leading the charge to cut government waste. Newly elected Chairman Andrew Kunasek has formed a new streamlining committee and appointed Brewer as chair.

"I have always believed in providing quality services to our taxpayers in the most costeffective manner possible," said Supervisor Brewer. "It is my hope that our new Streamlining Committee will be able to further reduce wasteful spending practices at the County and ultimately help return tax dollars back to the taxpayers."

The committee has promised to deliver a proposal for streamlining all County departments in time to be included in the 2000/2001-budget cycle.

"No member of the board, probably no one in the state, is more fiscally conservative than Supervisor Jan Brewer," said Chairman Kunasek. "I believe she will do a fine job representing the interests of Maricopa County taxpayers."

In addition, Brewer has been appointed to chair the Maricopa County Hospital and Health Systems Board and serve on the Greater Phoenix Economic Council and the Governor's Regional Airport Advisory Committee for the year 2000.

As Chairman of the Hospital Board, Supervisor Brewer will lead the hospital's governing committee in prescribing standards of medical care and making rules of operation and maintenance. The Board is also entasked with establishing overall hospital policy and providing leadership, institutional management, planning and patient care.

"Making long-range plans for the hospital and providing future care of the indigent sick in our County is a truly awesome responsibility, and I look forward to building on the successes the County has made in bringing our Maricopa Integrated Health System out of near bankruptcy debt," said Brewer.

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